

MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE

Tuesday, March 1, 2005

10:30 a.m.

Room 519, House Office Building

Chair Huizenga called the Standing Committee on Commerce to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Huizenga, Baxter, Emmons, Wenke, Green, Hildenbrand, Jones, David Law, Marleau, Meisner, Tobocman, Murphy, Dillon, Bennett, Accavitti, McConico (16/19)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Reps. Palsrok, Pavlov, Schuitmaker (3/19)

Representative Meisner, supported by **Representative Wenke**, moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on February 22, 2005. Hearing no objection, the minutes were adopted with **unanimous consent**.

Chair Huizenga read a letter to **Gary Randall, Clerk of the House**, regarding the formation of the following subcommittee of the Standing Committee on Commerce:

Subcommittee on Long Term Debt and Bonding

Representatives Emmons (C), Schuitmaker (VC), Jones, Tobocman, Dillon

Dr. Graham Toft, Senior Fellow at Thomas P. Miller and Associates, gave a PowerPoint presentation entitled “**Michigan Entrepreneurship Score Card: Towards an Entrepreneurial Economy**”. **Rob Fowler** and **Mark Clevey**, representing the Small Business Foundation of Michigan, assisted with the presentation. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Meisner, supported by **Representative Baxter**, moved to excuse absent members. Hearing no objection, **Chair Huizenga** excused **Representatives Palsrok, Pavlov** and **Schuitmaker**.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **11:50 a.m.**

Representative Bill Huizenga, Chair

Jean Hamelin, Committee Clerk
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